



Under Secretary for Science

Washington, DC 20585

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FROM:

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UNDER SECRETARY FOR SCIENCE

SUBJECT:

Approval of the 2006 Ten Year Site Plans

As we plan and execute our research activities, and work to fulfill the goals of the President's American Competitiveness Initiative and the Department's 2006 Strategic Plan, we must be confident that the support facilities and infrastructure at our sites are built, modernized, and maintained in a way that will enable the realization of program growth, accomplish our mission goals, and achieve a safe and secure workplace. The Ten Year Site Plans (TYSPs), required under DOE Order 413.1B, Real Property Asset Management and DOE's Asset Management Plan of August 2005, provide us with the detailed facility planning and management information and resource requirements to do this.

The 2006 TYSPs submitted in Spring 2006 have been reviewed for consistency with the annual SC guidance and for completeness in describing the condition of facilities and infrastructure, and for providing plans for sustainment and recapitalization, management of deferred maintenance, leasing, performance measurement plans, Energy Management, resources funding, etc. Each site attempted an Alternate Investment Plan, to provide insight into the expected demand for new facilities and infrastructure.

All of your TYSPs meet or exceed the minimum requirements set forth in our guidance of March 2006, and I approve them with the caution that approval does not imply that all the projects identified for funding in the FY 2008 to FY 2012 planning period will be funded. This caveat is due in part to the current uncertainty in outyear funding for the Office of Science. SC-31.2 staff, working with SC program sponsors, has already provided specific comments as appropriate to each Site on its particular Plan.

These plans are very helpful in the development of an overall SC general purpose facility and infrastructure investment strategy that adequately supports our research missions far into the future.

I would like to thank you, your staff, and the laboratory's staff for your efforts in preparing the 2006 TYSPs. They are very helpful to SC as we develop and communicate SC's overall Facilities and Infrastructure program plan.

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